

SAYS MAN GAVE HER ALCOHOL FOR DEATH

Mrs. Bristol, Poisoned in Baltimore, Sues John Kelley for \$150,000.

MADE BLIND BY POISON

Declares Defendant Wanted to Prevent Her Testifying About Girl Who Died.

ATLANTA, March 27.—Charging that wood alcohol was given to her with murderous intent to prevent her giving evidence against a Baltimore man, Mrs. Catherine Bristol, formerly of Atlanta, has brought suit here against John Kelley of Atlanta, for \$150,000 damages. Mrs. Bristol alleged that as a result of having drunk the poison she is permanently injured, being totally blind.

Mrs. Bristol in her petition alleged the defendant gave her the poison to prevent her from testifying that he had made threats against the life of Miss Lucille Sharp, an Atlanta girl, who died several months ago in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, March 27.—The suit of Mrs. Catherine Bristol in Atlanta against John Kelley is the aftermath of a tragedy in Baltimore last November. Miss Lucille Sharp died on November 23 after drinking what was believed to have been brandy in the Kelley apartment in Eutaw place.

Mrs. Bristol drank some of the liquid, and for nearly two months lingered between life and death at Johns Hopkins Hospital. She finally was able to leave the hospital, but is blind.

Mrs. Bristol, with Kelley and Alvin Osmann, a young truck driver occupying an apartment at the Eutaw place address, Osmann and Mrs. Sharp had been in New York the week prior to her death, and had purchased several quarts of brandy. It was later discovered that the brandy contained a large percentage of wood alcohol.

LA GUARDIA FAVORS HIGHER I. R. T. WAGES

He Receives Visit From Connolly, Brotherhood Chief.

In behalf of the 15,000 subway and elevated employees of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, who he declared are dissatisfied with wage conditions and constantly urging action that will bring results, J. J. Connolly, acting president of the Brotherhood of Employees of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, called yesterday at the office of Florentio H. La Guardia, President of the Board of Aldermen, to talk over the transit company's financial affairs as they have been disclosed to the Board of Estimate. After leaving City Hall Mr. Connolly declared that the Mayor and other city officials had shown no inclination to meet him in conference.

Connolly said he found Acting Mayor La Guardia unsympathetic toward any action that might ease the course of the interborough's management. He was told that the company should increase the wages of the men and decrease those of the executives. Mr. Hedy's pay as president is too high, Mr. La Guardia declared.

Connolly said he told Mr. La Guardia that the interborough's employees are keeping the interborough's hands under constant pressure to obtain a definite settlement regarding the second 25 per cent. increase left over from negotiation last August when the strike was won. The interborough's management, he declared, are still resentful of the imposition made following the strike that they had acted in collusion with the company to bring about a fare increase. He said he is guiding the course now to have no doubt as to where the brotherhood stands.

In requesting information as to the results of the city's investigation of interborough finances, Mr. Connolly explained that the trainmen have been closely watching the progress of the inquiry in an effort to determine whether the brotherhood's leaders have been treacherous in accepting the assurances of Frank Hedley, president of the company, that any wage increase added to the payrolls now would send the interborough into bankruptcy. He was accompanied by W. Fox, representative of the trainmen, and James V. La Scala of the shop forces.

FOR STATEN ISLAND SERVICE.

Deficit Last Year \$87,000—New Boats and More Trips.

Operation of the municipal ferries to Staten Island caused a deficit of \$87,000 last year, according to figures made public yesterday by Grover A. Whalen, Commissioner of Plant and Structures. The ferries carried a total of 16,707 persons and 565,922 vehicles during the year at a cost of \$1,345,458.25. The revenue from fares and privileges was \$1,258,288.82. There was an average of 3,540 passengers carried to and from Staten Island each day.

So heavy has the ferry traffic to Richmond, become that Commissioner Whalen has added four trips to the daily schedules. The ferry boats now operating on a fifteen minute headway during the morning and evening rush hours will operate on an hour and a half longer morning and evening than previously. Mr. Whalen also made it known that plans are being prepared for the construction of new ferry boats.

Appeals for Winitzky.

Simon Schachter, secretary of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn's club which she calls the Workers' Defense Union, says that the Federal laws prohibiting criminal anarchy were passed to disallow such persons as Leon Czolgosz, who murdered President McKinley, and that it is a great shame to prosecute Harry Winitzky, secretary of the Communist Party, under such laws, inasmuch as Harry hasn't shot anybody. He calls on the public to contribute to a fund to defend Winitzky.

Launched at Groton Yards.

GROTON, Conn., March 27.—The steamer Hohendaga, built at the Groton Iron Works, was launched this afternoon. This craft is the third built on the second contract between the Groton Iron Works and the United States Shipping Board and Emergency Fleet Corporation, to be launched. It is a steel, 3,400 tons burden. Mrs. F. W. Conlin of Westfield, N. J., was the sponsor.

Inquire Into Marines Landing.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The American Legation in Peking and the Consul in Hankow were instructed by the State Department to-day to investigate reports that American marines had landed at Kaulung, China, at the request of the British Consul to protect foreigners from rioting crowds.

Bank Robbers Get \$15,000.

CENTHIANA, Ky., March 27.—Officials of the Union Bank of Berry, near here, estimated today that robbers who looted the safety deposit boxes of the institution last night stole at least \$15,000 in Liberty bonds and other securities.

WANTS FULL BENCH IN SUPREME COURT

Bill Introduced to Replace Members Disqualified.

SPECIAL TO THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD. WASHINGTON, March 27.—The appointment by the President of Federal Circuit Court Judges to sit on the United States Supreme Court when members of the latter court are disqualified in certain cases by previous connections with the suits, was proposed by Representative Brand (Georgia) in a bill introduced in the House today.

The measure is aimed directly at a condition which existed in the Supreme Court during consideration of the Government anti-trust suit against the United States Steel Corporation and its subsidiary companies. The court, by a vote of 4 to 3, held that the corporation had not violated the Sherman anti-trust law, the decision thus reversing the verdict of less than half the members of the court. Justice McReynolds was disqualified because as Attorney-General he took part in the prosecution, and Justice Brandeis did not sit because in 1911 he submitted information to a Senate committee against the steel corporation.

Mr. Brand's measure provides that "when one or more members of the Supreme Court of the United States are disqualified from deciding any case, by interest or otherwise, the President of the United States is authorized and it shall be his duty to appoint a Judge or Judges of the Circuit Courts of Appeals to preside in said case. The court would be required under the bill to notify promptly the President as soon as it should be determined that any Judge was disqualified."

"The necessity for this legislation," said Mr. Brand, "arises from the fact that in the recent steel case, which was very important, a majority opinion was not rendered by the court but by four of the nine Judges through the disqualification of two members of the court."

STORY BOOK RIDE FOR PRIZES.

Novel Costume Event Held by Manhattan Riding Club.

A novel costume ride for prizes was given last night by the Manhattan Riding Club. Mr. Benton MacLennan, president, in the First Floor Armory, Broadway, and Sixty-eighth street. About fifty members of the club took part in the ride and the balcony was filled with spectators.

Each rider represented some character in a well known story and the event was called the Story Book Ride. First prize for the winner was won by Mrs. Suffer, who rode as a witch. Miss Wanda Zumaeta, in Egyptian costume, obtained the second prize. In the men's class Mr. Carl Spuffert as "The Giant" won first prize and Mr. John Henley the second, riding as "Jack the Giant Killer." The last two mentioned also won the team prize. Rides followed the contests and after there was an entertainment and dance.

BROKER SUE FOR DIVORCE.

Ernest H. Clark Is Accused of Having Other Friendships.

Mrs. Elise Clark of 336 West Fifty-third street sued Ernest H. Clark for divorce yesterday in the Supreme Court. He is a broker, with offices at 27 William street.

The Clarks were married in Washington in 1912. Before Justice Finch, who heard the testimony, two acquaintances of the broker testified that Clark and a Mrs. Meride M. Gels were guests at the Hotel Imperial in this city one night last September.

The court was informed that the register of the hotel could not be produced in evidence here, because it has been subpoenaed for use at the trial of a divorce action, which Mrs. Gels' husband has brought in Maryland.

Justice Finch reserved decision.

BROKEN RAIL CAUSES WRECK.

Three Persons Injured on Pennsylvania Train in Indiana.

DUBLIN, Ind., March 27.—Three persons were injured when two cars on an eastbound Pennsylvania train were derailed two miles west of here today. A broken rail caused the accident.

Zeda Harris, a railway mail clerk, of St. Paul, Ohio, suffered a broken arm and a dangerous cut on his forehead. Dr. Charles E. Duffin, Richmond, Ind., and Frank Rose, Dayton, Ohio, received minor injuries.

WILL MEET IN SAN REMO.

Supreme Council to Convene There April 10 or 11.

Rome, March 27.—The Supreme Council of the Peace Conference will meet at San Remo, Italy, April 10 or 11, says an announcement made public here today.

Advices from Paris under date of March 23, given out by the French wireless service, reported the Supreme Council would meet on April 21 at San Remo. These advices were said to have come from an authoritative source at home.

TRIES SUICIDE IN HER CELL.

Jennie Rich Had Been Throwing Stones at Street Cars.

A woman who, according to Patrolman George Lenz, was entertaining herself by throwing stones through the windows of Grand street cars early yesterday morning, tried to hang herself in a cell of the Clinton street station shortly after she was locked up. She used her belt for a noose and had to be cut down.

Moderate Max Levine in Essex Market Court ordered her taken to Bellevue Hospital for observation. She gave the name of Jennie Rich, 20, and said she had no home.

Held as Cutlery Thieves.

Patrolman Wittenberg saw two men step from an automobile at Avenue B and Third street yesterday and try to sell cutlery to a pedestrian. He arrested both men and took them to Police Headquarters, where they were accused of stealing several hundred spoons, knives and forks from the cutlery store of Bluch & Rossmak, 196 Broome street. The stolen articles were found in the automobile, the patrolman said. The prisoners said they were Arthur Spitzberg, 22, and Louis Wasserman, 24.

Killed by Falling Elevator.

A rope cable holding a freight elevator at the second floor of a storage warehouse, 519 East Sixteenth street, snapped without warning yesterday morning while Phil Decker, 25, a mechanic of 39 West Seventy-ninth street, was making repairs at the base of the shaft. The falling elevator crushed his skull, killing him instantly. The body was extricated by fellow workmen and taken to the East Twenty-second street police station.

Reconstruction Rapid in France.

Great strides have been made toward a return to normal conditions in the war devastated regions of Belgium and France, it was made known yesterday by Lieut.-Col. Knowlton Mixer, Red Cross Commissioner in France, for thirteen months who returned to the United States to direct the work of the Federated Charities of Baltimore. Col. Mixer said 4,300,000 of the 4,700,000 pre-war population of the devastated regions have returned to their homes and that Red Cross relief work in this region is rapidly approaching the end.

LOSS OF LOVE NOT MARRIAGE SOLVENT

Chicago Judge Refuses Annulment in Filipino's Case.

SPECIAL TO THE SUN AND NEW YORK HERALD. CHICAGO, March 27.—"Loveless marriage" received a judicial O. K. in a Chicago court room to-day when Attorney Ernest W. Clark appeared before Judge Joseph B. David in the Supreme Court as counsel for Juan Gay, 25, native of the Philippine Islands, and his wife, Sarah E. Gay. Mr. and Mrs. Gay had agreed it was time to untie the knot and return to single life, so they filed a bill for annulment of their marriage.

"These people no longer care for each other," said the lawyer. "They are asking for annulment on the ground that Mrs. Gay was only 17 when they were married. It is true that her mother consented to the marriage."

"Under the law the fact that they do not love each other has no effect," ruled the judge. "They were legally wed, inasmuch as the girl's parental consent was given. They must remain wed until divorced."

'LAST CARD LOUIS' DENIED JURY TRIAL

Special Sessions Justices to Hear Poker Victims.

"Last Card Louis" Krohnberg of the Bijou Waist Company, 303 Fifth avenue, failed to show his hand yesterday when he appeared before Justice Kernochan of Special Sessions as defendant to a charge of cheating at stud poker.

"Last Card Louis" presented himself to the court with hair slicked down, passive countenance and mute tongue, while a representative of Max D. Steuer, who appeared as his attorney, announced that he had decided to waive further examination. The lawyer asked that he be held for trial before a jury in the Court of General Sessions.

Justice Kernochan, who has been sitting in the capacity of a Magistrate in Krohnberg's case, refused the attorney's plea, saying that as the offense charged would constitute a misdemeanor, the proper place to try it would be in Special Sessions. There "Last Card Louis" will not have a jury, but he will have three Justices to pass upon his case. Assistant District Attorney McGrath will cause his arraignment on a presentment early in the week and ask his bail be continued.

HOLDUP MAN ON BROADWAY.

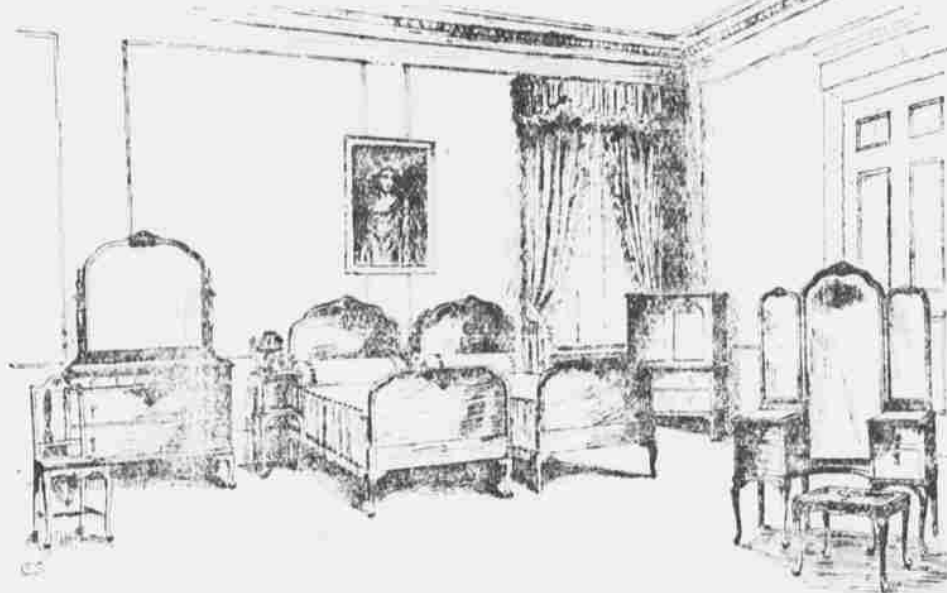
He Shoots Victim as He Approaches Subway Kiosk.

Jacob Szedlip of Rockaway left his machinist bench in the Acme Lace and Braid Manufacturing Company at dawn yesterday and walked to the subway station at Broadway and Prince street to go home. A swarthy young man stepped from an automobile standing by the subway kiosk and told Szedlip to throw up his hands. Then, scarcely waiting for compliance, the holdup man shot Szedlip near the heart and, jumping into the machine, escaped.

A policeman found the badly wounded man lying on the subway steps and called an ambulance. He was taken to Volunteer Hospital. A brother, Dr. Leo Szedlip of Newark, was formerly house surgeon there.

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